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FBI URGENT REPORT

Precedence: IMMEDIATE **Date:** 05/29/2008 To: Director SIOC From: New Orleans SSA Contact: Approved By: A/SAC Drafted By: Subject/Title/Case ID #: MV MORNING CLOUD CRIMES ON THE HIGH SEAS 45-NO-72860 Purpose/Synopsis: MATTER GENERATING SIGNIFICANT MEDIA ATTENTION INITIAL URGENT REPORT The MV Morning Cloud is a 753 ft. British owned Liberian flagged vessel. The crew reported that the Romanian was missing and believed to have fallen overboard on May 23, approximately 50 nautical miles outside of the Bahamas. The ship, loaded with iron, departed from the Ukraine and arrived in New Orleans on May 28. The Coast Guard boarded the vessel on the 28th and found blood in the Captain's cabin and a message written on the wall (believed to be in Romanian) in shaving cream. The Coast Guard reported that the crew, "was not particularly helpful" in identifying the area where the Captain was lost. The Coast Guard performed a search and rescue for five hours with negative results. The Assistant United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Louisiana discussed the aforementioned facts with DOJ <u>attorne</u>y's Virginia as well as Coast Guard legal representatives. conclusion was that the FBI has jurisdiction to investigate, under Title 18, Section 2280. DOJ and Coast Guard has also been in contact with Romanian and Liberian representatives.

On Friday, May 30, at approximately 11:00 am, New Orleans FBI, along with the Coast Guard Investigative Service and a Liberian representative and possibly a Romanian representative, will board the vessel and conduct an investigation.

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Mississippi interview wa INVESTIGATIV interviewing disappearanc provided the He and joined t MORNING CLOU ship include On p.m. After	following information: has worked in the maritime industry for three years he MORNING CLOUD on April 9, 2008. Before joining the D, he was at home in the Ukraine. His duties on the deck work and steering on the bridge. May 22, 2008 he completed his day work around 3:00 his day work was completed, he got some rest and then
had dinner a	t 6:00 p.m. He then reported for work at 8:00 p.m. and e bridge until midnight.
bridge like spoke to the Captain aske	approximately 8:30 p.m., the Captain came to the he normally does. While on the bridge, the Captain 3rd Officer about preparing documents for port. The d "How's it going," to which he responded by okay. The Captain then left the bridge at around 10:00
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At around noon on May 23, 2008, he learned that the Captain was missing. The 3rd Officer made an announcement over the ship's intercom. The 3rd Officer said, "Collect in the TV room, open all your cabins, Captain is missing."

The crew was then divided into teams to search for the Captain. went to the galley, checked the refrigerators and the provisions room, checked the gymnasium, went to the officer's mess, and then checked cabins. After the crew finished searching the ship, they collected in the TV room. The Chief Officer said that this was a strange situation and instructed them to check everything again. The crew could not find the Captain.

After the crew searched the ship the first time, the ship turned on a reciprocal course to look for the Captain at sea. By 9:00 or 9:30 p.m., the ship turned around and was back on its original course.

After he learned the Captain was missing, he did not enter the Captain's cabin at anytime.

He met the Captain for the first time in April 2008 and described the Captain as being a good man who was liked by the crew. The Captain was more quiet and did not yell or swear. The Captain was easy to talk to and someone who was receptive to questions. He thinks this was his first time as a Captain.

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At 8:00 a.m., his shift on the bridge was over, and he went to breakfast. At 9:00 a.m. he began a walkthrough on the deck and at 10:00 a.m. went back to his cabin. He was in his cabin from 10:00 a.m. until around 11:30 a.m.	
At approximately 11:30 a.m., he received a telephone call from the 2nd Officer. The 2nd Officer informed him that the Captain was not in his cabin. said the 3rd Officer called the Captain's cabin, but did not get any response. The 3rd Officer went to check the Captain's cabin and found no one inside. The 3rd Officer told the 2nd Officer that the Captain was not in his cabin and then the 2nd Officer called	
then went to the Captain's cabin to look for the Captain. He was accompanied into the cabin by the Chief Engineer. The door to the Captain's cabin was closed, but not locked. They also found that the Captain was not inside the cabin. He found nothing unusual in the cabin other than the bed was not perfectly made. He did not notice any white foam writing in the Captain's cabin at the time. He later was informed of the white foam writing in the Captain's cabin and said he was not sure what it means. He was told by the 3rd Officer it is something you would say at New Years time. He thinks the 3rd Officer has seen this writing before in the Captain's cabin.	

He thought something was not right when he went into the Captain's cabin because no one had seen the Captain that morning. He instructed the crew to start searching the ship for the Captain. Also around noon on May 23, 2008 he turned the ship on a reciprocal course and started looking for the Captain at sea. He turned the ship around on a course that would take the ship back to the position of midnight the night before. Also at this time he contacted ZODIAK by telephone to inform them of the situation.

He secured the Captain's cabin by locking the door. He asked if anyone had a key to the Captain's cabin and the 3rd Officer found that the Steward had a key. He explained that the Steward had a key to the Captain's cabin because he needed access to clean the room. He identified the Steward as and also

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He described the Captain as a fair person who was in the middle as far as his leadership style. He did not have a harsh leadership style. No one on the ship had a problem with the Captain. The Captain was not very personable and did not talk about his personal life. ______ relationship with the Captain was professional. He said the Captain was always alone in his

he decided to stop the search and turn the ship back on the original course. He did not receive a response to this message.

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cabin and was very polite. He did not know if the Captain drank alcohol but does not think so since he never smelled alcohol on his breath. The Captain was an accurate man, normally clean. He said the Captain was married and had one son. After the Captain went missing, he sent a message to the Captain's son. The Captain's son responded with a telephone call and he informed the Captain's son of what happened.

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said the Captain seemed healthy, a medium or skinny build. He said the Captain was not a heavy build. He thinks he was in his late 40s.

He said the crew mainly liked the Captain. The Captain did not press the men very hard and he was not a hated man. He said everyone on the crew was very surprised at the disappearance of the Captain.

He explained that the Captain would sleep with the door to his cabin closed, but not locked while sleeping. In open sea, when the Captain was walking around the ship, the door would be generally closed. He knows of the safe in the Captain's cabin but said only the Captain had access to the safe. He was not sure if there is a key, but knows there is a combination lock on the safe.

The Captain needed glasses to read, but he did not always wear glasses or have his glasses with him. When _____ entered the Captain's cabin to look for him, he saw the Captain's glasses in the cabin.

He also said the Captain does not walk around the ship to get fresh air. He does go to the bridge and bridge wings to smoke, but only walks around the ship to do inspections and for work related reasons. He said it is possible that the Captain could have fallen off the ship, but not too likely for someone with the Captain's experience at sea to fall overboard. He also said the weather on the night of May 22 into the day of May 23 was good. He explained that the ocean was not like glass, but that it was not rocky weather either.

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as though he was under stress. Fifteen days before the Captain went missing, he talked with about what galley supplies the ship needed. The Captain seemed happy to be going home soon because his contract was soon complete and he would be leaving the ship.
The Captain never ate breakfast. He always had lunch, sometimes on time, sometimes late. He always ate dinner late. He typically ate alone. Eating alone is not unusual on a ship for officers because they have different duty times.
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On May 23, 2008, of the MV MORNING CLOUD, was missing. came to the bridge to assist with the search. He was on the bridge and spoke to for approximately five minutes before ordered to return to the engine room to start a generator. was told by that he saw something in the water three times during the search after the ship had reversed course. was on watch, on the starboard side of the bridge, with binoculars searching the water for any sign of the Captain. He thought the object he saw may have been a white t-shirt, but was not sure. told the Chief Mate and the Carpenter, both on the bridge at the time, that he saw something in the water. The binoculars were then taken away from and he was ordered to "keep rudder". The ship turned a different course, but not exactly in the direction of the unknown object. that the Chief Mate's face turned white when said he saw something in the water. Two birds were flying in the direction of the object.	b6 b70
heard that four to five days after the Captain disappeared, the slope chest door was broken and items were stolen from it. The slope chest was a room on the ship that was used like a store. Sailors bought mineral water and other items from it. Delieved the FBI should use a lie detector on some of the crew but would not provide names of which crew members. Delieved some of the crew covered up what really happened and will not tell, but did not have any evidence or first hand knowledge that the crew did anything to the Captain. The feels the crew can not control themselves and they get drunk a lot.	b6 b70
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worked hard most of the day before, he needed to sleep in. The Chief Officer told _____ that the Captain was probably resting.

had returned to the bridge at 11:50 a.m. for his afternoon watch duty. The Third Mate told him that the Captain did not answer when called for his noontime report to the shipping company. In addition to the midnight report, this voyage required a second report to be prepared and sent at noon each day. The Third Mate did not get an answer when he knocked on the Captain's cabin. The Third Mate checked other cabins and then checked with the Chief Engineer. The Chief Engineer had not seen the Captain. The Chief Officer was then called to the bridge. When the Chief Officer arrived at the bridge, an announcement was made over the public announcement system to muster the crew in the crew salon. When the crew mustered, they were told the Captain was missing and the search began.

At approximately 12:15, the beginning of the first search, the Chief Officer gave the command to turn the ship around in the opposite course. Lookouts were posted on the deck to search for a man overboard. The man overboard alert was made at approximately 12:40. A man overboard can not be made until it is reasonably sure the person is no longer on the ship. A 2182 International Search and Rescue Frequency alert was sent out to other ships. After the first search was completed, a more thorough second search was made. The lookouts remained on the wings during the entire time.

The ship turned back around in the direction of New Orleans at approximately 8:50 p.m. It had become too dark for the lookouts to see the water from the ship and search helicopters with search lights were now in the area.

The Captain was always writing on paper or on a computer. He used a notebook, the same kind as supplied from the ship's stationary. "He was always writing, I sent this..., I sent this..., remind me for tomorrow..." The Captain was well organized and professional.

The Captain was a very approachable person. He was polite with everyone and used a level voice that was clear and calm. He never shouted at ______ He would not get upset with crew members that would want out of their contracts early. After the ship left Gibralter, ten sailors wanted out of their contract. One was turned down by the shipping company at first. The Captain helped the sailor get a review of his request and it was eventually granted.

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The Captain was never drunk. He was never seen to drink alcohol on the ship and not known to drink off the ship.

The only person that may have been upset with the Captain was the previous cook. He left the ship a month and a half ago. The Captain had spoke to him regarding the poor quality of the meals and how the galley was not clean. The cook was replaced.

When asked, speculated that the Captain may have suffered an attack of poor health while out on deck and fallen overboard. Suicide was possible, but unlikely because the Captain never complained. He had a son of similar age as the ship. He treated the ship like it was another one of his children. In addition, his contract was soon to be completed and he would be leaving the ship soon.

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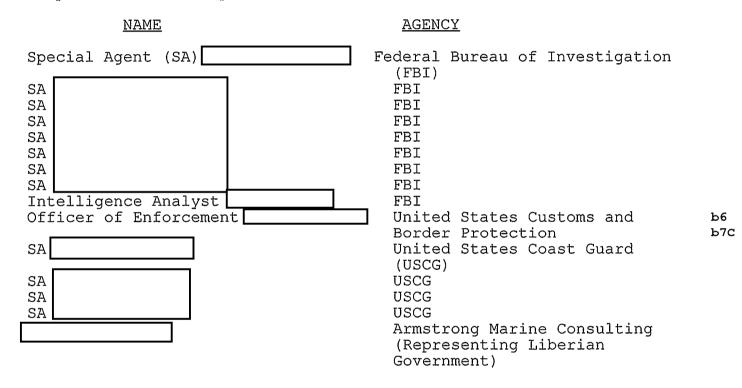
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t	Containers House, 20 Upper Ground, London SE1 9PD, United Kingdom, cellular telephone number of +308967255286, was interviewed aboard the MORNING CLOUD which was anchored in the Mississippi River near LaPlace, Louisiana. Also present during the interview was SA
	of the UNITED STATES COAST GUARD INVESTIGATIVE SERVICE. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and the nature of the interview, that being the disappearance of
	provided the following information:
	is new to the maritime industry. This cruise aboard the MORNING CLOUD is his first time working aboard a ship. He does not speak or understand the English language very well.
	The last time saw the Captain was two weeks before the Captain disappeared. He saw the Captain to get a telephone card.
} €	works in the engine room from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily. He does not see the Captain very often because the Captain rarely comes to the engine room. Approximately three weeks before the Captain's disappearance, he saw the Captain in the engine room because there was a problem with the ship's main engine.
† 2 6	He does not know what happened to the Captain. He did not see the Captain on May 22, 2008. After he completed working in the engine room at 5:00 p.m. on May 22nd, he watched films and played games in the television room like he normally does. On May 23, 2008, he woke up around 7:00 a.m. He reported for work in the engine room around 8:00 a.m. At lunch time, there was an intercom announcement that he did not understand. The 3rd mate translated for and said that the Captain was missing.
	He described the Captain as being a good man. He said since the time he has known the Captain, the Captain has been skinny. He does not know if the Captain was ever a heavy person.
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At approximately 2:00 p.m. on Friday, May 30, 2008, the following individuals boarded the M/V Morning Cloud while it was anchored in the Mississippi River near LaPlace, Louisiana to conduct an investigation into the disappearance of the Master (Captain) of the ship while it was at sea:



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He has worked in the maritime industry for 25 years. It is the current Captain of the MORNING CLOUD, joining the ship on May 27, 2008 in New Orleans, Louisiana. He signed a six month contract to work on the MORNING CLOUD. He was not aboard the MORNING CLOUD when disappeared.	Ie
reports that the typical Captain's day begins a 6 a.m7a.m. Usually the Captain will go to the bridge at 7 a.m. and meet with the duty watch person to make sure everything is alright. After that, the captain will eat breakfast in the galled this happens typically between 7:30 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. At around a.m., the captain commonly meets with his Chief Mate and Chief Engineer on the bridge. The rest of the morning, the Captain completes paperwork and writes reports until approximately 12:30 p.m. At that time, he eats lunch in the galley. After lunch, commonly Captain's will check in with the bridge duty officer to, again, make sure everything is alright. After which, he retires his cabin to sleep for a few hours. At around 3 p.m., the Captain has "coffee time". The remainder of the day, the Captain typical responds to message traffic. Messages are reviewed and sent on the bridge, and specifically on the MORNING CLOUD, there is no network computer access in the Captain's cabin, so he must be on the bridge address messages.	to to the
Generally a Captain will not be directly involved with the crew. He mainly deals with the Chief Mate and Chief Engineer The exception to this is the Captain's contact with the Steward of the Cook. Every day the Steward cleans the Captain's cabin and does the Captain's laundry. Typically the Steward does not have key to the Captain's cabin, but the door is usually open. If the	and
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Interviews aboard the MORNING CLOUD docked in LaPlace, Louisiana, were conducted by Special Agent (SA) following the disappearance of the Also present during the interview was SA of the UNITED STATES COAST GUARD INVESTIGATIVE SERVICE.	
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ship is docked. stands watch on the gangway from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. gives the orders of the day. While at sea,	
On May 21, 2008 at 7:30 a.m., saw the MORNING CLOUD's on the bridge. They talked about crew changes. joined the ship at the same time.	
is close friends with that he goes to the Captain's cabin every morning to clean his room, but that today at 9 a.m. when he went to the Captain's room, the door was closed. At 10:30 a.m., opened the door and entered the Captain's cabin, but he wasn't there. The Second Officer went on watch on the bridge and started asking the crew if anyone has seen the Captain. Nobody had. At 12:15 p.m., the Second Officer went on the Public Address System and informed the crew that the Captain was missing. The crew searched all of the ship's accommodations area. stayed on the bridge until 6:00 p.m., then he returned to his galley duty.	
mentioned that when the Captain joined the MORNING CLOUD, he was a heavier guy who ate regularly. After the ship was in dry dock, seemed very stressed out. He started missing dinners, and became very skinny. In dry dock, the MORNING CLOUD had some problems regarding their license. cannot recall what the exact problem was, but thinks it had something to do with the ship's certificate. feels that the Captain committed suicide and jumped off of the ship.	
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has worked in the maritime industry for one year and has been aboard the MORNING CLOUD since January 30, 200 He works 8 a.m5p.m.	8.
When joined the ship, the MORNING CLOUD's asked about his family. He wo sometimes joke with on the bridge. After the ship lef Greece, where they were in dry dock, the Captain changed a lot. became very silent. describes as a calm guy widoes not interfere in matters.	t He
last saw on May 22, 2008. The Capta was having a problem with the international phone in the computer room, and was there to fix it.	
On May 23, 2008, when the crew was assembled to locate the Captain went to the Captain's cabin. The room wa very neat. He saw glasses and cigarettes on his desk. After he left the room, somebody locked the door, but he cannot recall who. Afterwards, everybody went to the mess deck and the continued searching.	s b b
mentioned that the crew was unable to wash their clothes due to energy and water conservation, and that was able to wash clothes in his room, but he didn't use thinks that he was not using it in respect to the crew not being able to wash their clothes.	
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Synopsis: To document the return of evidence.

Details: On June 4, 2008 at 10:35 A.M., Special Agent (SA)

returned the following 1B evidence items to

Special Investigations Unit, Romania.

1B1: Two boxes each containing two swabs of possible stain marked as evidence marker 1.

1B2: One swab - evidence marker 2.

1B3: Two swabs - evidence marker 3.

1B4: One swab - evidence marker 4.

The FD-597 receipt for the return of the items has been placed in a 1-A envelope and made a part of the file.

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MAT INAGUA, BS -Case Title: SAR - Person in Water - N MORNING CLOUD (LR) (PIW) //231738ZMAY08 Case Number: 404361 Activity Number: 3214629 Date/Time Entered By Subject(s) 231738ZMAY08 <no subject> Message Initial Notification - D7 recieved forwarded email from D5CC of a MAN OVER BOARD from M/V MORNING CLOUD (LR) in position 21-57.7n 073-51w (55NM N-NE OF GREAT INAGUA, BS) Date/Time Entered By Subject(s) 2318482MAY08 <no subject> **b6** Message -b7C From sent vessel a inmarsat "c" to contact D7CC immediately.. Date/Time Subject(s) Entered By 231848ZMAY08 USCGC TAMPA; MORNING CLOUD Message request conduct call-out via vhf - 2182 to establish comms and have them contact D7CC Date/Time Subject(s) Entered By 231851ZMAY08 <no subject> Message From CGC TAMPA: Reports completed engine repair and will becoming up to 15kts Entered By Date/Time Subject(s) 231854ZMAY08 <no subject> **h6** Message b7C From OPBAT: AIRCLR 6029C will only have approx 5imn o/s ..D7CC advised them to have the 6029C rtb for fuel then prepare for poss PIW search. Date/Time Entered By Subject(s) 231859ZMAY08 <no subject> Message From CGC TAMPA: have diverted 2105 and will be o/s with M/V in approx 15min Date/Time Entered By Subject(s) 231902ZMAY08 USCGC TAMPA Message From CGC: Nojoy via 2182. Will cont call-outs Date/Time Subject(s) Entered By 231904ZMAY08 USCGC TAMPA Message b7C From CGC: reports both MDE's up and proceeding at 17.5kts Date/Time Subject(s) Entered By 231907ZMAY08 <no subject> Message To AIRCLR: briefed on case. Date/Time Subject(s) Entered By 231918ZMAY08 Zodiak Maritime Agencies, Message To ZMA: We received a message from the M/V Morning Cloud regarding a man overboard//Yes I am not in the operations department but I will have one of them contact you Date/Time Subject(s) Entered By 232000ZMAY08 <no subject> b6 Message b7C From Capt - zodiak - 44-7768-697-537: Reports its actually the CAPT of the vessel that was determined missing. He's a 46yom. Good health, weighs approx 90kilos. No alcohol or pills(medication) was located in his stateroom. It's believed he(the Capt) wasnt wearing a life jacket. Will call back with additional information such as lat/long's and as well as HF. Date/Time Subject(s) Entered By 232032ZMAY08 <no subject> Message To OPBAT/CGC TAMPA/CG6029/CG2105: All briefed on case specifics. **b**6 b7C

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Case Title: SAR - Person in Water - 1 MORNING CLOUD (LR) - PIW - 50NM N-NE O REAT INAGUA, BS - (PIW)//231738ZMAY08Case Number: 404361 Activity Number: 3214629 Date/Time - OWKING Company Subject(s) Entered By 232036ZMAY08 <no subject> Message To Capt zodiak - 44-7768-697-537;) Reports the psn crew last scene Capt on board was in 71-07.9w. he 46yom. 90kilos. No medical contditions. In good health. No alcohol/pills psn 22-31. were found in stateroom/ Not taking any medication. The crew dont think he was wearing a life iacket. Date/Time Subject(s) Entered By 232043ZMAY08 USCGC TAMPA _h6 Message b7C From CGC TAMPA: Reports will be in the search area 19401cl Date/Time Subject(s) Entered By 232051ZMAY08 <no subject> Message From CG 2105: Reports can give 2hrs o/s time support before RTB back to GTMO Date/Time Subject(s) Entered By 232057ZMAY08 <no subject> Message DRM briefed on case Date/Time Subject(s) Entered By 232058ZMAY08 <no subject> b6 Message b7C SRP's faxed to GI for CG2105/6029 Date/Time Subject(s) Entered By 232110ZMAY08 FBI (miami), Message To FBI: Filed a missing person report on the Captain//We will not be getting involved. Unless the Captian is a U.S. citizen, the vessel was U.S. Flagged, or they last left a U.S. port, Date/Time Subject(s) 232113ZMAY08 Royal Bahamian Defense Force, Message To RBDF: Briefed/ we have nothing to help search Date/Time Subject(s) Entered By <no subject> 232137ZMAY08 **b6** Message b7C AIRCLR / AIRMIA briefed on updates. Date/Time Subject(s) Entered Bv 232139ZMAY08 <no subject> Message To CGC: inform CG2105 they will not be needed to perform a 1st light search. A AIRCLR C130 will be tasked for mission. Date/Time Subject(s) Entered By 232142ZMAY08 <no subject> Message From OPBAT: H6033 was enroute when exper NAV SYSTEM FAILURE RTB att. Will be switching to the CG6029. eta 30min Date/Time Subject(s) Entered By 232143ZMAY08 Ready Alert, b6 Message b7C OS1 FRO 17:42 D7 RCVD RPT OF PIW FM M/V MORNING CLOUD (LR) 50NM N OF GI; TAMPA/GI 60/GTMO 25 ENR; EGC RLSD Date/Time Subject(s) 232143ZMAY08 <no subject> Message To AIRCLR: briefed on 1st light intensions. Will brief AIRCLR OPS & get back to D7 if any concerns Date/Time Subject(s) Entered By 232149ZMAY08 TELENOR, Message EGC Released: Submitted 08-05-23 21:49. Reference number 26981. Date/Time Subject(s) Entered By 232153ZMAY08 <no subject> b6 Message b7C From AIRCLR: OPS has no issues with plan of action. Just know clock will not reset unless they get 10hrs of downtime

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Date/Time 232202ZMAY08	Subject(s) <no subject=""> Message</no>	Entered By	ь6 ь7С
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Name:	Capt: Romanian		
The vessel has bee	n advised to search till sunset then rtn to original course bound for nect port of call		
Date/Time 232208ZMAY08	Subject(s) <no subject=""> Message</no>	Entered By	
	To F.B.I - SKIP HOGDERG: Briefed on case & advised if Co. believes wrong doinvestigate. Really dont have jurisdiction. But if requested the New Orleans		
Date/Time 240149ZMAY08	Subject(s) DR,; D, Message To d, dr: Briefed Admiral on case.	Entered By	
Date/Time 240451ZMAY08	Subject(s) USCGC TAMPA Message	Entered By	ь6 ь7с
	To TAMPA: Passed updated pattern (subsequent search adjusted to reflect the instakenly passed to the aircraft the recommended track spacing (.4NM) as oppospacing (1NM).)		
Date/Time 241230ZMAY08	Subject(s) USCGC TAMPA; AIR STA CLWTR Message Passed C130 pattern to AIRCLR and TAMPA	Entered By	
Date/Time 241333ZMAY08	Subject(s) <no subject=""> Message From USCG 09:34 IRT PIW IN BS LAUNCHED AIRCLR FOR 5 HOUR SORTIE. CASE PENDS</no>	Entered By	
Date/Time 242019ZMAY08	Subject(s) FBI (miami), Message	Entered By	 ь6
	Want to know when the ship is going to be in NOLA also want to know the number req you email the info to	of the ships owner	b7C b7E
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	to CAMSLANT: do you still have the guard for the C130//neg they are search con RTB'ed//rgr $$	splete and they have	
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	to DR/DRM req Actsus, c130 search complete Tampa is search complete//actsus grameets up with D8 Inspectors once the ship moores	canted make sure FBI	

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From:

"M/V Morning Cloud" <MorningCloud.A8AW7@andrapido3.com> "00"AMVER - USA" <amvermsg@amver.org>

To:

Sent:

23 May:2008:17:20

Subject:

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TO:AMVER USA FROM:M/V "MORNING CLOUD" A8AW7

FROM POS. LAT 21 57.7N LONG 073 51,0W. WE HAVE MANOVERBOARD/MASTER OF THE VESSEL

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23 May 2008 19:39

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Re: MOB

TO: AMVER USA

FROM:M/V "MORNING CLOUD" A8AW7

SEARCHING AREA FOR MOB BETWEEN 0400UTC/23MAY LAT 22 31.1N LON 071 07.9W AND 1600UTC/23MAY LAT 21 57.7N LONG 073 51,0W. **COURSE LINE 258/078** BRGDS C/O

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Subject: MOB

TO:AMVER

FROM: MORNING CLOUD

0120UTC/24MAY LAT 22 15 N LON 072 24 W WE HAVE DONE EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO RETRIEVE CAPTAIN BUT NOW WE HAVE TO STOPED OUR SEARCHING AND CONTINUE ON PASSAGE. THANKS FOR YOUR ASSISTANTS

ST=UTC+04° 2128 LT/23.05

M/V Morning Cloud" < Morning Cloud A8AW7@andrapido3.com>

<operations@zodiac-maritime.com>

Sent: 24 May 2008 00:52

FROM: MORNING CLOUD

DEAR SIR.

VSL'S PSN ON 0050UTC/24MAY LAT 22 15.2 N LON 072 24.3 W STILL PRECEDING 078 IN SEARCHING THE CAPTAIN. UNFORTUNATELY NO ANY TRACES OF THE CAPTAIN ON BOARD AND OVER BOARD AROUND TO POINT WHERE LAST TIME CAPTAIN SEEN ON BOARD ABT 65 NM. USCG STILL SEARCHING THIS AREA SEARCH MASTERS ACCOMMODATION FOR ANY EVIDENCE OF PROBLEM CARRIED OUT AND FOUND NOTHING UNUSUAL OR UNEXPECTED HIS CABIN CLOSED ON LOCK. ALREADY BECAME DARK. ACORDING MSG#2642666 AND WHEREAS DARK TIME AND INEFFECTUAL EFFORTS IN SEARCHING DUE TO THAT WE HAVE TO REVERSE COURSE AND HEAD TOWARDS DESTINATION. SHALL INFORM AMVER AND/OR USCG ABT OUR INTENTION?

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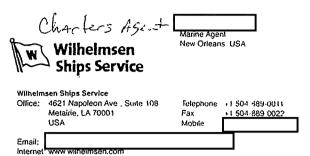


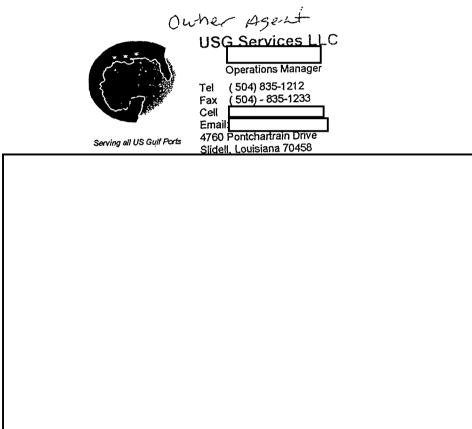
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Mid-Gulf Shipping Co. Inc. From: Monday, May 26, 2008 7:13 AM b7C Sent: operations@usgservices.com To: MORNING CLOUD Subject: For Confirming our telephone conversation this morning, we represent Zodiac and its insurers in connection with the disappearance of the master from MORNING CLOUD. We have been asked to board the ship on arrival and otherwise to be available to assist as needed. My contact details are below. Please include me on updates about the ship's ETA and schedule. Please call me if I can be on any assistance. Thanks. PHELPS DUNBAR LLP Canal Place 365 Canal Street, Suite 2000 New Orleans, LA. 70130-6534 gary.hemphill@phelps.com Main (504) 566-1311 Direct b6 Cel b7C Fax (504) 568-9130









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He's about to go home." went to the Captain's room to search for him. The Third Mate was the first to enter the cabin. In the cabin, they found passport. They also saw the Captain's glasses on the desk. The Captain does not use his glasses when he is on the computer. The room was clean and everything was in place. Everything seemed normal. Nobody really thought it was foul play, they just thought the Captain was missing. ZODIAC LONDON was informed of the situation. returned to the Captain's cabin to search for documents and a master key. They could not find a master key.	b6 b7С
took control of the ship and the entire crew began to search the boat. He decided to turn the MORNING CLOUD around and begin on its reciprocal course. He assembled everybody on the deck to search the water. The search took place between noon and 3 a.m., at which time they turned back around and headed back on their original course for New Orleans does not recall seeing anything written on the wall in the Captain's cabin. When asked if he could translate "Auguri," responded, "Auguri Amiche, Cheers to Friends. It is usually for celebrations." Auguri means Cheers in Italian.	ь6 ь7с

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On June 3, 2006, Special Agent from of Phelps Dunbar law firm, 365 Suite 2000, New Orleans, Louisiana, telephone number a copy of the Liberian Articles of Agreement (LAA). Tertains to the investigation of the disappearance of onboard the Liberian flagged Morning Cloud car the vessel was sailing near the Bahamas en route to Ne	he LAA Master go ship while
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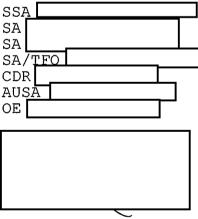
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CRIME ON THE HIGH SEAS - MISSING PERSON

Synopsis: To document meeting at the New Orleans FBI office.

Details: At approximately 9:00 a.m. on June 4, 2008, a meeting was held at the New Orleans office of the FBI regarding the captioned matter. The following individuals were present during the meeting:





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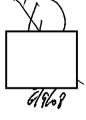
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was contacted aboard the MV Morning Cloud, at which time he was advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents and that the contact concerned the disappearance of Captain at sea around May 22, 2008. He thereafter advised as follows:	b6 ⊵ b70
He has been employed by the Zodiac Maritime Agency for approximately two years and he started out as a mess boy for about eight months and is currently in his first contract as an Ordinary Seaman. He came on board this ship around December 2, 2007 in Slovenia and Captain came around that time also. Captain was already on the ship which had two Captains until got off in Italy later.	
stated he normally only saw the Captain twice daily usually once in the morning and once in the afternoon. This occurred when he would go on the bridge to give the soundings to the Chief Officer. He would exchange general pleasantries with the Captain and he occasionally would speak to him in the mess hall.	b6 b70
He never saw the Captain have any arguments or fights with any of the crew and he felt he was a good man to work for.	
He stated that the ship was in dry dock in Greece for approximately fifteen days and he did not think the Captain ever went ashore and he appeared to have been losing weight. He said the Captain smoked cigarettes frequently all over the ship but he never saw him drink.	
He recalled the Captains Office as very neat the only time he went inside it.	
last saw the Captain around 1800 hours and he was typing messages on the computer on the bridge. He was on the bridge again at 0700 hours the next day, May 23, 2008, and the Captain was not there. Around 1130 hours, he learned that the Captain was missing and the entire crew was ordered by radio to stop lunch and come to a certain area. Everyone was broken down into search teams and began to search the entire ship and there was	b6 b70
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no sign of the Captain or any indication of what may have happened to him.
He does not think any of the crew would have harmed or have done anything to the Captain. He could offer no explanation as to what might have happened to him.
was aware that the Captain was due to be getting off the ship when ir arrived in Louisiana.

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from 2000 - 2400. He stated that the Captain usually meets with the Chief Officer and the Bosun and sometimes with the Chief Engineer daily around 0700 on the bridge and the Captain normally has coffee and cigarettes there. Each day around noon, the Captain or the Second Officer would send messages regarding the ships present location, the weather, the diesel and oil consumption, etc.

He stated the Captain ate lunch alone sometimes and would often eat dinner late by himself. He described the Captain as a good guy who was easy to work for and described him as good natured and also stated that he never had any arguments or confrontations with any of the crew. He also knew that the Captain had a son who also worked for Zodiac Maritime Agency but he never spoke much about his family.

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He recalled that he came to the bridge around 1120 hours and at 1130 hours he called the Captains cabin twice as nobody had seen or heard from him that morning and there was no answer each time. Around 1145 hours the Second Officer told him to go to the Captains cabin which he did. The door was closed but not locked which is normally the case. He walked in the cabin and looked around and did not see the Captain or anything out of the ordinary and he went back and informed the Second officer. He also saw the ship steward who told him that the Captain did not eat breakfast that morning and he had not seen him and reported this to the Second Officer. A short while later, he and the steward and the Chief Engineer entered the room again to look for the Captain.

was asked about the word that was written on the wall in the Captains office area and stated he thought it had been there since possibly December. He said the former Captain of the ship had wrote it there and he did not know what it meant.

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Thereafter, he used some spare keys to search other cabins for any sign of the Captain.

stated that the Captain had lost some weight since he first boarded the ship and recently he seemed tired and possibly stressed as this was his first time as Captain. He said that the Captain's job is a difficult one and he seemed nervous about it. He normally would only see the Captain on deck a few times and this would only be for short periods or as they passed each other.

He said the Captains area was nice and neat when he entered his cabin and he recalled seeing his reading glasses and his cigarettes and lighter on the desk. He said the Captain would not always have his reading glasses around his neck when he came to the mess hall or to the bridge and the Captain had sent him to his cabin several times to retrieve them for him. He did say the captain would normally have his cigarettes with him.

reiterated that he had never known the Captain to have any fights or arguments with any of the crew and the only explanation he could provide for his disappearance was that the Captain could have jumped over.

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was contacted
aboard the Ship, MV Morning Cloud, at which time he was advised of
the identities of the interviewing Agents and that the contact
concerned the disappearance of Captainat sea around
May 23, 2008 He thereafter advised as follows.

He was hired by the Zodiac Maritime Agency for his job as a steward and he is currently on his third contract with them. The first contract was for seven months, the second one he only worked twenty days of the contract and then the third one which he was presently working under. He started his third contract on December 10, 2007, aboard the MV Morning Cloud and his steward duties include helping serve three daily meals to the officers and cleaning the officers cabins. He stated that the ship was last in port around April 8, 2008 where it was dry docked in Greece for repairs for one or two days and then went to Ukraine for one day to pick up a load of ore and around May 1, 2008 departed to Laplace, Louisiana.

He stated breakfast is served at 7:30 a.m., lunch at 11:30 a.m. and dinner at 5:30 p.m. He normally wakes up at 5:00 a.m. and goes to sleep around 10:00 p.m. He cleans the following cabins on a daily basis: Captain's, Chief Officer's, Chief Engineer's and the First Engineer's, all of which are located on the Upper deck. He usually starts cleaning the Captains first around 9:00 a.m. after breakfast. He always sweeps, mops, empties the garbage and ash tray and washes any glasses left out. He also changes the bed sheets approximately once a week and removes them and makes the bed with fresh sheets. He advised the Captain always made his bed up and the only time he made it up was when he replaced the bed sheets after he had removed the old ones. It normally takes him about fifteen to twenty minutes to clean each room.

He recalled last cleaning the Captain's room on the morning of May 22, 2008 and he last saw the Captain around 9:00 p.m. on the night of the 22nd on the bridge. After breakfast on the 23rd, he went to clean the Captain's room around 9:00 a.m. as usual and the Captain's door was closed. He said the door has always been open and he did not try to open it to see if it was

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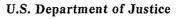
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In Reply, Please Refer to File No. 45-NO-72860	New Orleans, Louisiana June 5, 2008
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Morning Cloud, a 753-foot Lib disappeared while the Morning Cloud was sailing several mil route to New Orleans from the Master of Roman missing. Approximately 12 howas last seen until i	de Master (Captain) of the M/V derian flagged bulk cargo ship, and Cloud was at sea. The Morning des off the coast of the Bahamas en a Ukraine with a load of ore when ain nationality was first reported burs elapsed from the time Master at the was determined he was missing. The time of Master was determined he was missing.
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Orleans and anchored upriver approximately 2:00 p.m., Spec of the Federal Bureau of Inve Officer of Enforcement with the Protection boarded the Morning into the disappearance of Massinvestigation team aboard the	cial Agents of the New Orleans office estigation (FBI) and the USCG and an the United States Customs and Border ag C <u>loud to c</u> onduct an investigation
by the agents and the new Mas Cloud after Master was interviewed. Most of the creenish language. However, a speaking and understanding of	ginal crew members were interviewed ster that came onboard the Morning as confirmed missing was also aw members were fluent with the few members were limited with their English. While the interviews were ridence Response Team (ERT) conducted of Master Iliescu's stateroom

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and adjoining office. It should be noted that upon the FBI boarding the Morning Cloud, agents were met by Admiral Security officers who had boarded the ship the previous day along with the USCG to secure the crew and Master USCG to secure the crew and Master stateroom. Also onboard the Morning Cloud was a port Captain for Zodiac Maritime Agencies (ZMA) and an attorney from a New Orleans law firm which was representing ZMA, the managing agent for the Morning Cloud. The results of all the crew member interviews gave no indication that a crime occurred on the Morning Cloud that resulted in the disappearance of Master No crew member or heard of any crew observed anyone harming Master member harming him. Information obtained from the crew member interviews included but is not limited to the following: no member of the crew was <u>angry</u> with Master and everyone of along with him; Master was mostly a private person and and everyone got didn't socialize very much with the crew; this was Master first voyage as Master; he was meticulous and wanted things done right and often would complete a task on his own; he did not talk often of his family; after dry-docking in Greece, the crew noticed a change in Master | behavior - he became stressed, lost weight and did not look healthy; he complained to some that he didn't sleep well; when he received news that he was going home to Romania for a vacation once he arrived in New Orleans, he showed no emotion or signs of happiness that other crew members said is contradictory to the emotions normally exhibited by a crew member who has been out to sea for several months and is told he can go home on vacation. There was no indication from the interviews that Master had any enemies onboard the Morning Cloud or that any crew member would do Master any harm. None of the crew members implicated any other crew member with Master disappearance. Crew members also stated that it was hard for them to believe that Master would commit suicide. was not a doctor onboard the Morning Cloud and it was unknown if Master was ill. The results of the ERT crime scene investigation of stateroom and office showed no signs that a violent crime occurred in the stateroom. Investigation and testing of possible bloodstains on the floor in the bathroom resulted in negative results for blood. The stateroom and office were neat and did not exhibit signs that a struggle or violent assault occurred to Master The word "Auguri" that was written in foam on one wall of the office was determined through crew member interviews that the word had been written on the wall

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several months ago by the previous Master or his wife around the

Christmas holidays. It is believed the meaning of the word means "Cheers" or "Best Wishes." No notes, journals or writings by Master were located which would have helped explain the reason behind his disappearance. The office safe was opened with a key which was located in the office by the FBI. The safe was opened by the FBI in the presence of the ZMA Captain and attorney and the present Master of the Morning Cloud. An unknown amount of currency was present inside the safe. Also inside the safe was various narcotics and drugs that are controlled by the Morning Cloud Master and used for sick and injured crew members. It appeared to Morning Cloud/ZMA personnel that the contents of the safe were undisturbed and nothing was missing. The contents of the safe were turned over to the port Captain and present Master of the Morning Cloud.

In conclusion, the FBI investigation into the disappearance of Master of the My Morning Cloud cargo

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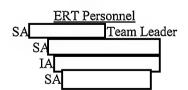
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disappearance of Master of the M/V Morning Cloud cargo ship has determined that there is no indication that a crime occurred or a violent act was committed against Master Crew member interviews and crime scene processing gave no indication that Master was harmed by another crew member or that a crime occurred on the ship. It appeared, with the concurrence of Morning Cloud/ZMA personnel that the contents of the safe in the Master's stateroom were accounted for and undisturbed. In summation, no physical evidence indicated a crime occurred on the Morning Cloud and no statements made by the crew members indicated that Master disappearance was the result of a criminal act.

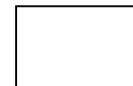
NEW ORLEANS DIVISION



Crime Scene Investigation Report
Regarding the Disappearance of
Master from the
Motor Vessel Morning Cloud
Conducted on May 30, 2008



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Date of transcription 06/04/2008 On Friday, May 30, 2008 at approximately 2:33 p.m. (Central Standard Time), the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), New Orleans Division, Evidence Response Team (ERT) members boarded the Motor Vessel (M/V) MORNING CLOUD (freighter) for the purpose of conducting a crime scene investigation related to the disappearance of of the M/V MORNING CLOUD. was a Romanian National. $\overline{\ }$ The M/V MORNING CLOUD is a Liberian flagged vessel which was located at approximately mile marker 135 on the Mississippi River, near Laplace, Louisiana. FBI was provided marine transportation to the M/V MORNING CLOUD with the assistance of the United States Coast Guard (USCG). FBI was granted authority to board the vessel by as well as written permission from the Liberian HIGH SEAS NAVIGATION (NO. 2) INC. Once on board, Master later provided the latitude and longitude coordinates respectively, as 030 degrees 03.2 minutes North, 090 degrees 29.6 minutes North. an attorney with PHELPS. DUNBAR an attorney with PHELPS, DUNBAR LLP, located in New Orleans, Louisiana was also present, representing the interest of ZODIAC MARITIME AGENCIES LTD., the ship's management company. | with ARMSTRONG MARINE CONSULTING, represented the Liberian government, and was transported to the M/V MORNING CLOUD with FBI personnel. FBI ERT had been advised that Romanian officials were seeking forensic assistance for a potential crime scene involving the disappearance of Master L The following four (4) FBI ERT personnel boarded the M/V MORNING CLOUD: Special Agent (SA) ERT Senior Team Leader SA photo logger SA photography INTELLIGENCE ANALYST (IA) sketch/diagram The potential crime scene had been reported to the FBI as possibly having occurred in quarters (see attached schematic of the M/V MORNING CLOUD's upper bridge deck). The Master's (Captain's) quarters consisted of three (3) main areas: galley/pantry area, day room also referred to as the office/living area, and a bedroom area with an attached bathroom. The Master's quarters, upon arrival, were secured by bf ADMIRAL SECURITY. Supervisor Investigation on 05/30/2008 at Mississippi River, Laplace, Louisiana File # 1/45 -NO-72860 Date dictated Not Dictated SA SA

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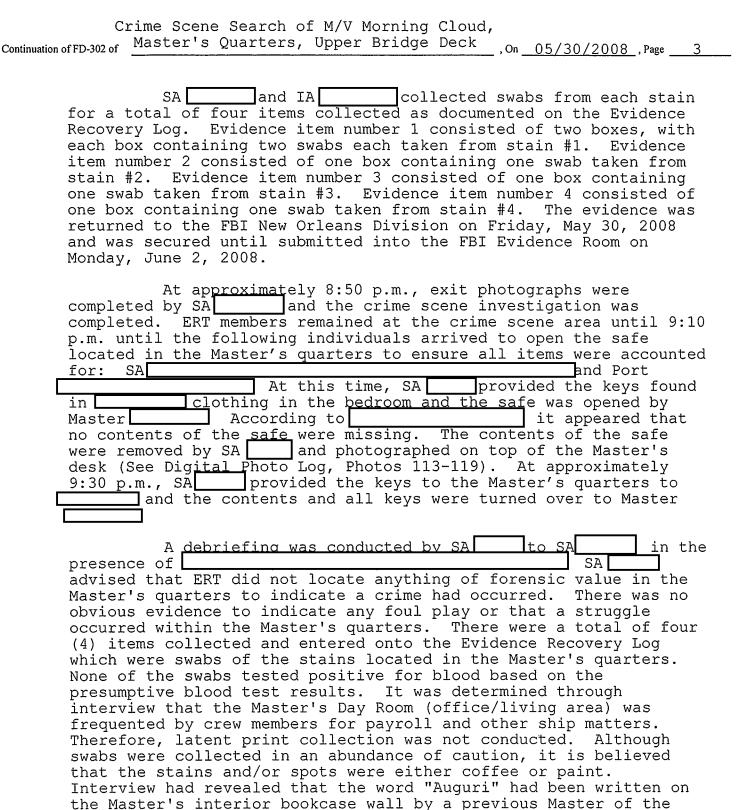
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provided FBI SA with a key to the Master's quarters at approximately 3:14 p.m. At approximately, 3:29 p.m., SA provided the keys to SA in order for ERT to begin their crime scene investigation. SA donned a tyvek suit. booties and gloves before entering the crime scene. FBI SA also donned the same protective gear and assisted SA with the preliminary survey. represented the Liberian government, and was asked to accompany SAs with the preliminary survey based on his extensive maritime experience.
The preliminary survey for evidence as conducted by SA indicated a reddish brown stain on the floor upon entry into the Master's quarters as well as some small reddish brown droplets on the floor area near the toilet in the bathroom as previously identified as potential evidence by the USCG. Also noted was the word/letters "AUGURI" written on the interior back wall of the bookcase in a white, foamy looking substance. There was no other apparent, immediately visible evidence in the Master's quarters. After the preliminary survey was completed, SA left the crime scene area.
The remaining ERT members, SA

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ometime during the Christmas holiday. The FBI departed from W MORNING CLOUD at approximately 10:54 p.m.	
On Monday, June 2, 2008, SA removed the media card he Nikon D2X camera containing the digital images captured	

from the Nikon D2X camera containing the digital images captured during the search on Friday, May 30, 2008. SA then attempted to burn the photographs to a DVD-R disk using a stand alone CD/DVD burning device. On two separate occasions, the device malfunctioned and the photographs failed to burn to the DVD-R disk. As a result, a laptop computer with a DVD writer was used to burn the images from the media card to a DVD-R. The images appeared to have burned properly, but the disk ejected improperly from the computer. SA made a written notation on the disk as such and labeled the disc as "1rst Original". SA then burned a second DVD-R containing the images. The second DVD-R burned properly and ejected properly. The disc was labeled as "2nd original". Both of the disks were placed in the same 1-A (FD-340) envelope and sealed with red evidence tape.

Attached to this report are the following:

- 1) FBI ERT Personnel List (1 page)
- 2) Initial Information (1 page)
- 3) Administrative Worksheet (4 pages)
- 4) Diagram/sketch (4 pages, hand drawn with measurements),
- 5) General Arrangement for Upper Bridge Deck and overall schematic of M/V MORNING CLOUD (4 pages)
- 6) Evidence Recovery Log (1 page)
- 7) Crime Scene Register for those personnel that entered the Master's quarters (1 page)
- 8) Digital Photos with photo log (30 pages)

Also made part of this report are the two original aforementioned DVD-R disks of the digital images recorded which are contained in an envelope sealed with red evidence tape.

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FBI EVIDENCE RESPONSE TEAM

PERSONNEL LIST

Personnel	Agency	Responsibility
	FBI	Team Leader
,	FBI	Searcher/Finder
	FBI	Photographer
	FBI	Sketcher

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INITIAL INFORMATION

DATE OF ARRIVAL 05/30/2008

TIME OF ARRIVAL 2:33 p.m. CST

CASE IDENTIFIER **45-NO-72860**

TEAM LEADER

LOCATION

General anchorage approximately mile marker 135, Mississippi River Laplace, Louisiana USA 70068

GPS COORDINATES

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Condition of Scene on Arriva		· [
Lighting Conditions Interior	or Lighting	'	ons Sunny/Clear		
General Description of Scene	Master's (Captain's) quarters con table with computer, printer and I there was a pantry/galley which I stainless steel cabinets which we the letters "Auguri" written on the	hard drive; a safe v housed a washing ere all in the open p	vas housed underneath the machine which contained un position. There was also a b	computer table; nwashed clothes and bookcase which had	
Control of Scene Obtained F	rom Admiral Security		Date of Control Acquisition	05/30/2008	1
Person in Charge of Scene a	at Time of Arrival Admiral Security Supervisor Lenward	d Hebert; Darryl Hill & Kelly Pitre	Time of Control Acquisition	3:17 p.m.	
Person(s) Present at Scene	at Time of Arrival	Status of Person at	Scene		
		Phelps Dunbar LL	P (attorney for		b6
		Port Captain			b70
Unidentified crew member	er(s)	Signed FBI in and	issued FBI badges		
Preliminary Survey/ Evidence Evaluation (Notes/Observations)	The Captain's quarters had previously date upon report of the disappearance guards were placed around the clock upon entry did not indicate any obvious there was a brownish stain noted on the Captain's desk were clear except cigarettes, lighter, and glasses laying was a safe identified behind a cabine bookshelf which contained manuals appeared normal with the bedsheets bathtub/shower. Unidentified stains it evidentiary areas. However, the stain color or characteristics of blood or sp	te of Maste to ensure the quarter us items out of order the tile floor. The set for a large white envelopment on the desk as well at door. The safe appeared to be small to be small to be small to ensure the bathroom had as appeared to be small to ensure the safe appeared to be small to ensure the bathroom had as appeared to be small to ensure the bathroom had as appeared to be small to ensure the bathroom had as appeared to be small to ensure the bathroom had as appeared to be small to ensure the transmitted the small transmitted to the small transmitted the small transmitted the transmitted transmitted the small transmitted transmitt	The quarters were locked ers remained secure. A cursory. However, immediately upon eating area, including the chairs velope on the table. The desk as paperwork. Under a table beared to be in a locked position and it written on the interior based. The bathroom contained abeen previously noted by the U	and armed security review of the room entry through the door and sofas in front of appeared tidy with behind the desk, there on. There was a ackwall. The bedroom a toilet, sink, ISCG as possible	

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	Prior briefings with the United States Coast Guard personnel via telephone indicated that there may potentially be blood evidence in the bathroom. Upon initial observation it was determined that none of the stains in the bathroom were blood. This was confirmed by presumptive tests which yielded negative results for blood.	\
Special Situations, Conditions, and/or Specialists Used (Notes/Observations)	It was determined through interview that the Captain's Day Room (office/living area) was frequented by crew members for payroll and other related matters. Therefore, latent print collection was not conducted. Interview also revealed that the letters "Auguri" written in a white material on the wall of the Captain's bookcase had been there since the previous Captain, who was on board during the Christmas holiday. In the event safe keys were not located, it was requested that a company be contacted for entry into the safe to determine if the ship's money was still in the safe. The keys were later found in the Master's clothing and the safe was opened in the presence of	b6
Crime Scene Conference (Notes/Observations)	As the presumptive blood tests taken from the stains in the Master's bathroom and the large stain identified upon entry into the Captain's Day Room were negative for blood, swabs were still collected and placed into evidence out of an abundance of caution. No fingerprint evidence was attempted as it was determined that crew members were allowed into the Captain's quarters for pay and other matters. Interview also revealed that the letters "Auguri" written in a white material on the wall of the Captain's bookcase had been there since the previous Captain who was on board during the Christmas holiday. Therefore, a sampling of the substance was not collected as it did not appear related to the disappearance of Master The entire quarters were searched for any evidentiary item, forensic or otherwise, related to the disappearance of Master The search yielded negative results.	b6 b70

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05/30/2		1:00 p.m.	All FBI	and ERT members mee	t at Port South LA	Globalplex	Terminal for briefing and	d to plan embarka	ation/debarkation	_
05/30/2	2008	2:00 p.m.	All FBI	ERT supplies and equipm	ent are on hand at	dock on MS	river for transport by PSV	/ Responder to M/	V Morning Cloud	_

		Administrative Log	
Date	Time	Pertinent Description/Information	
05/30/2008	9:00 a.m.	All FBI and ERT members meet at United States Coast Guard, Sector New Orleans, Bucktown, Louisiana for briefing	
05/30/2008	1:00 p.m.	All FBI and ERT members meet at Port South LA Globalplex Terminal for briefing and to plan embarkation/debarkation	
05/30/2008	2:00 p.m.	All FBI ERT supplies and equipment are on hand at dock on MS river for transport by PSV Responder to M/V Morning Cloud	
05/30/2008	2:16 p.m.	ERT memberdeparts on first transport boat to M/V Morning Cloud	
05/30/2008	2:18 p.m.	ERT members depart on 2nd transport boat to M/V Morning Cloud	
05/30/2008	2:33 p.m.	ERT members arrive at M/V Morning Cloud	į
05/30/2008	2:38 p.m.	Board vessel M/V Morning Cloud	
05/30/2008	2:50 p.m.	attorney provides a brief overview and bound booklet entitled "Investigation Materials" with 6 numerical tabs to FBI	
05/30/2008	3:14 p.m.	. 2. e	b6
05/30/2008	3:29 p.m.	SA provides Master's key to ERT member Preliminary survey conducted by present.	b70
05/30/2008	3:44 p.m.	End preliminary survey	
05/30/2008	3:45 p.m.	Entry photos begin	
05/30/2008	3:57 p.m.	Photos end	
05/30/2008	3:58 p.m.	Sketch begins	İ
05/30/2008	4:05 p.m.	Presumptive testing of various reddish brown stains in Captain's Day Room and Captain's Bathroom conducted	
05/30/2008	4:21 p.m.	Search begins	

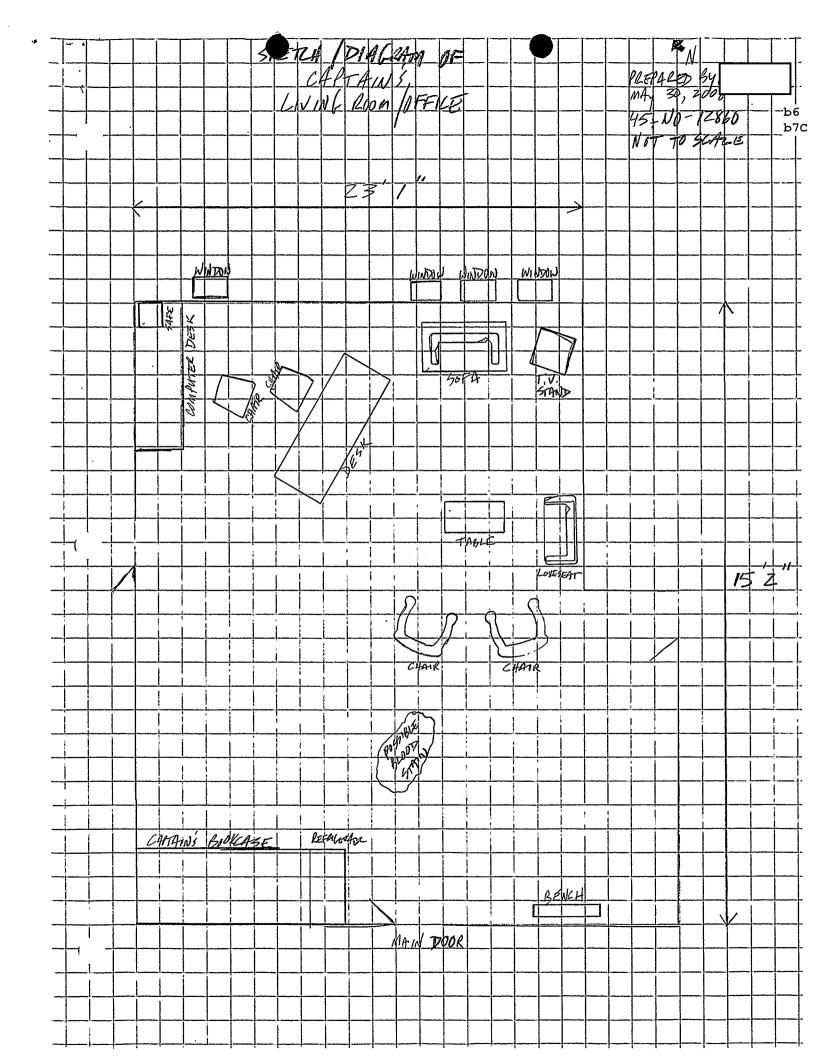
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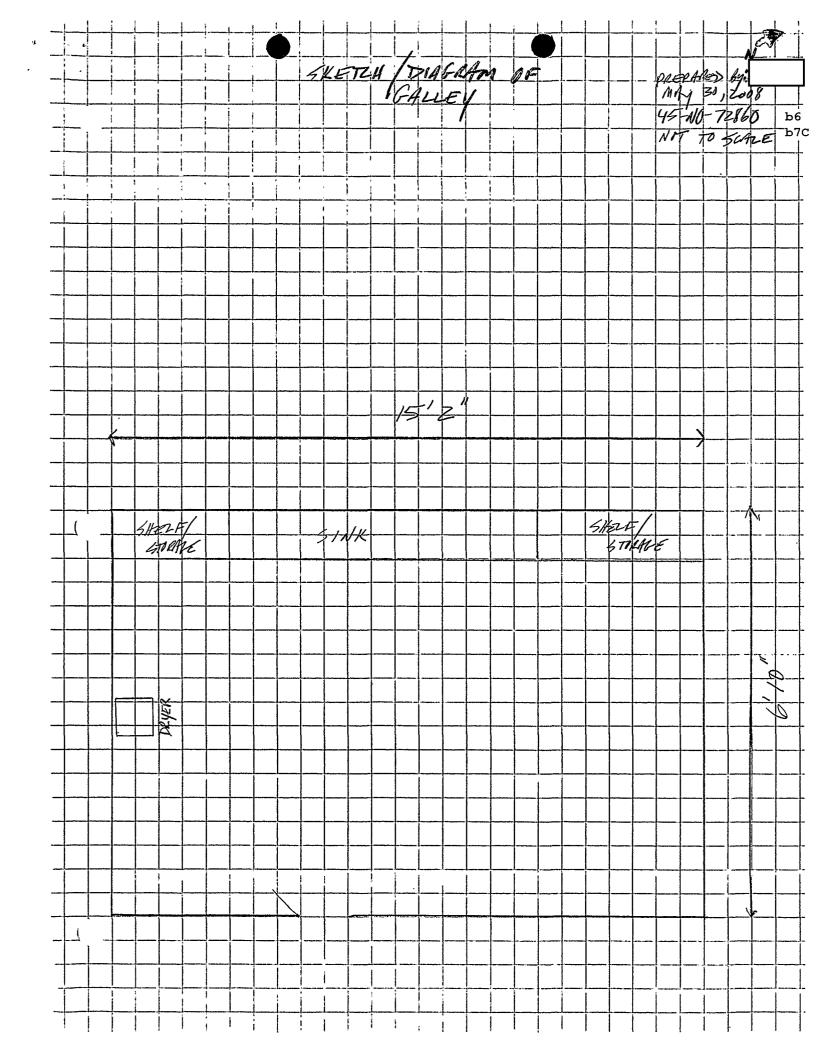
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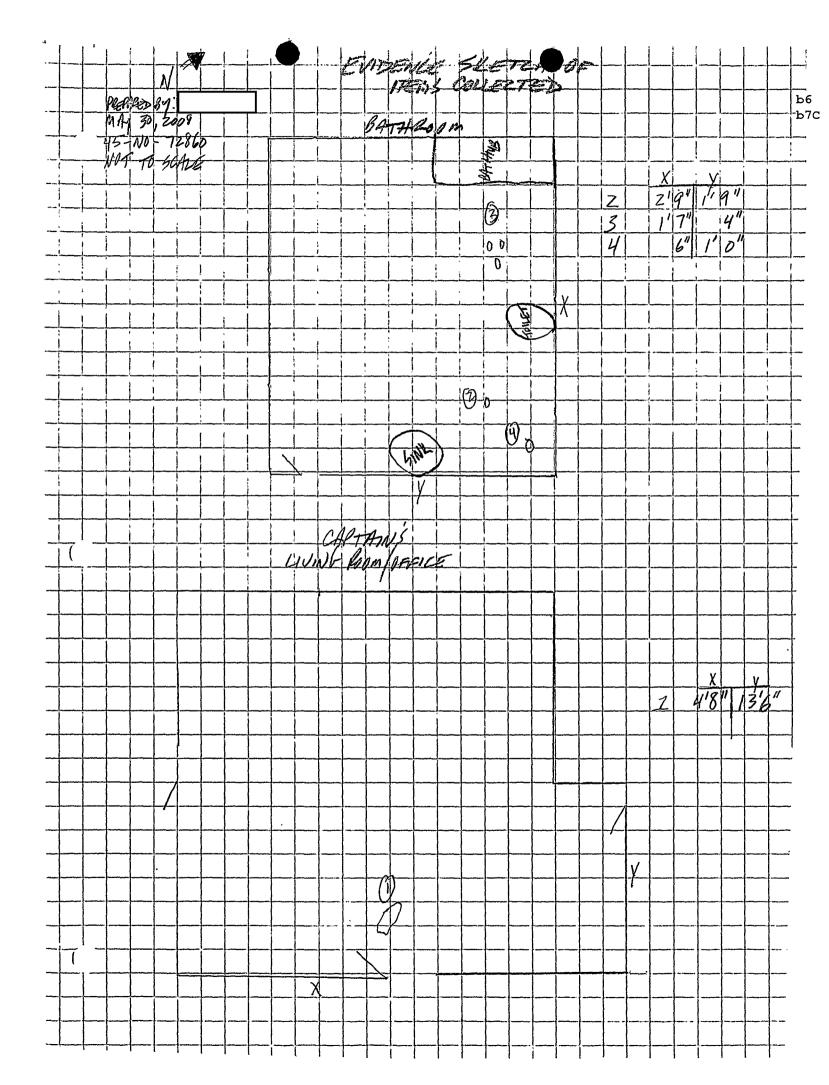
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05/30/2008	8:35 p.m.	Begin exit photos				
05/30/2008	8:45 p.m.	Exit photos completed				
05/30/2008	8:50 p.m.	Final survey completed, awaiting s	safe opening with	Master(s) and		
05/30/2008	9:10 p.m.		and ERT members		open safe and rev	riew contents
05/30/2008	9:21 p.m.	Thumb drive and hard drive are reviewed by		for personal documer	nts belonging to Ma	aster
05/30/2008	9:30 p.m.	Safe is secured by Master	and the room ke	y is provided to		
05/30/2008	9:54 p.m.	briefs all agents, await relea	se call from SIOC			
05/30/2008	10:54 p.m.	Disembark M/V Morning Cloud				
05/30/2008	11:20 p.m.	Arrive at dock in Laplace, LA				





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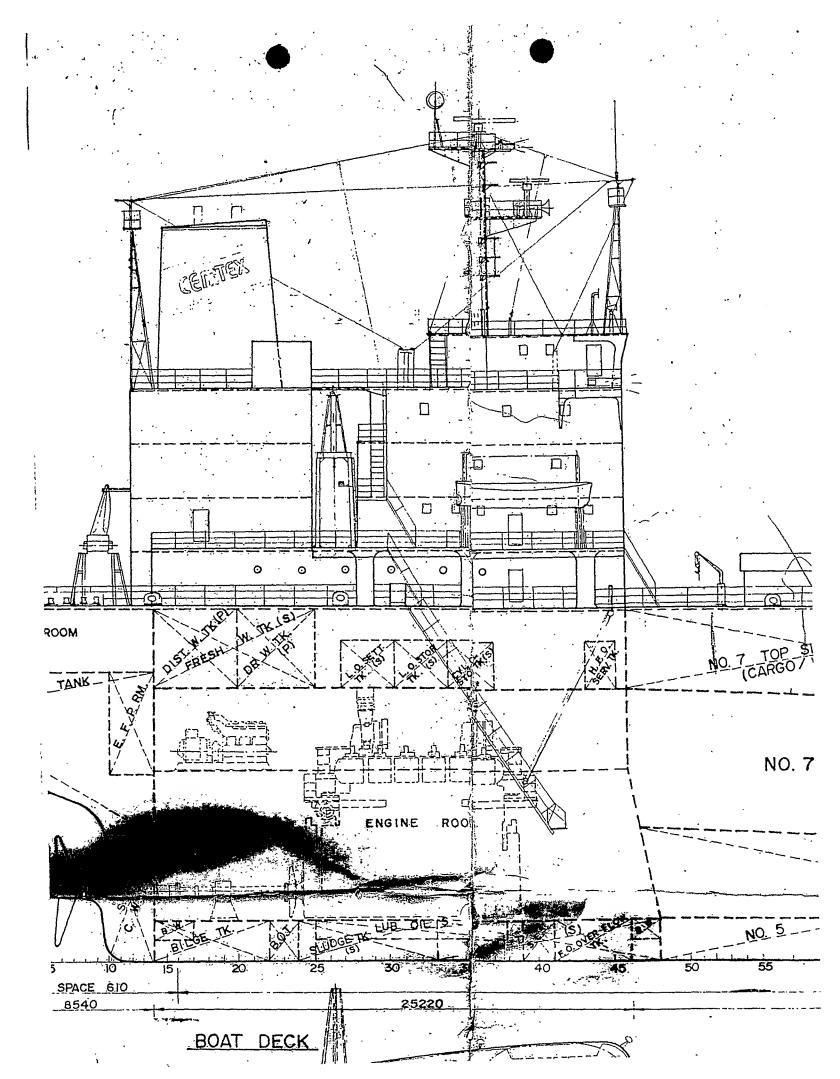
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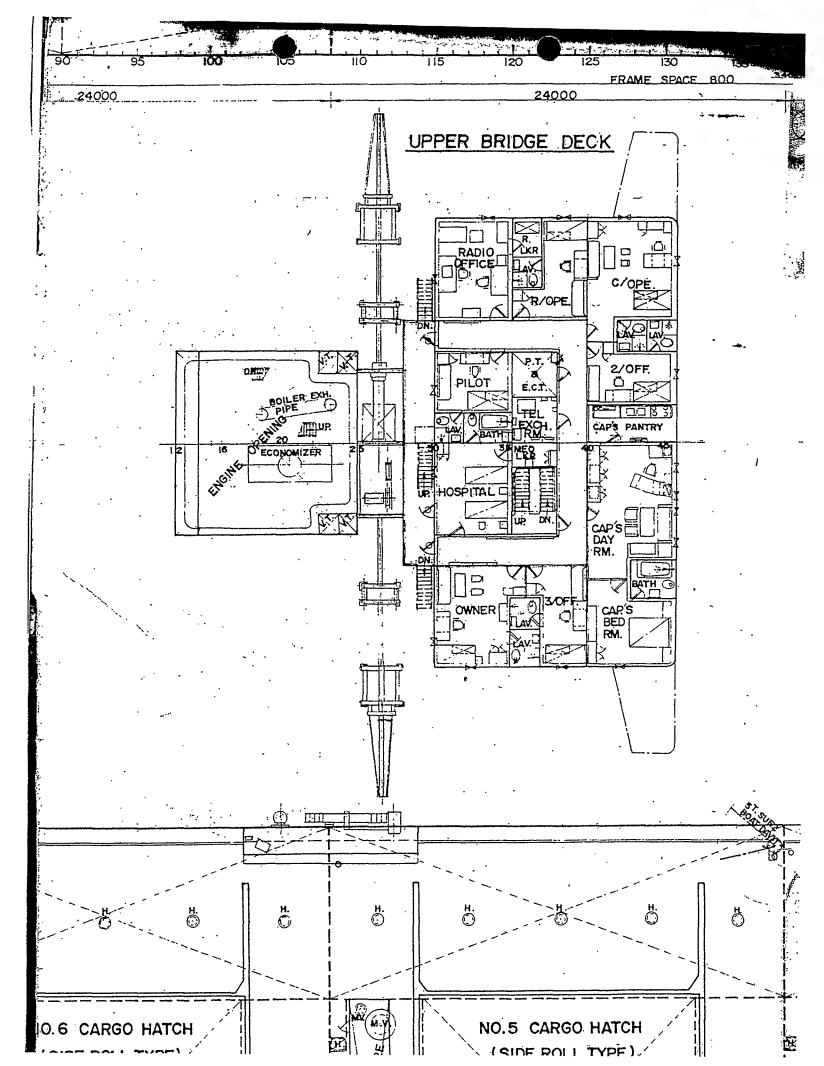
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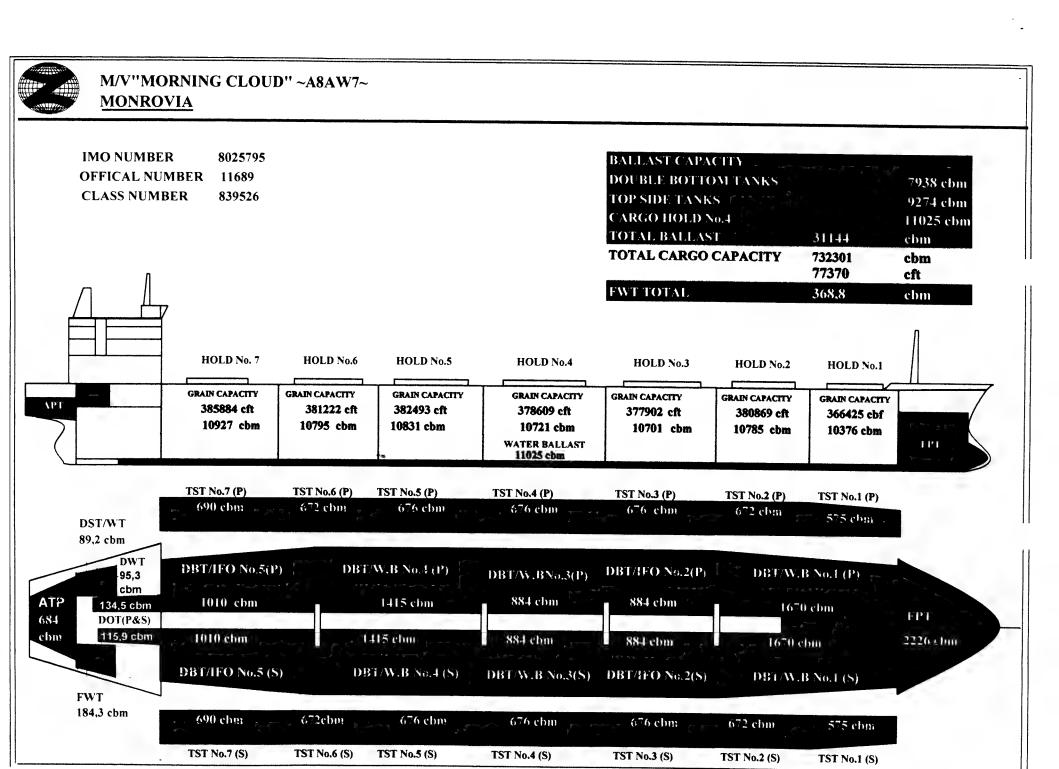
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ITEM#	DESCRIPTION	WHERE FOUND	RECOVERED BY / OBSERVED BY	PACKAGING METHOD	COMMENTS (if needed)	
1	Two boxes each containin 2 swabs of stain #1	Floor near entry, office area		Box	Two swabs in each box.	b6 b7
2	One swab, stain #2 (evidence marker)	Bathroom floor by toilet	-	Box		
3	Two swabs, stain #3 (evidence marker)	Bathroom floor by toilet		Box		
4	One swab, stain #4 (evidence marker)	Bathroom floor near toilet		Box		

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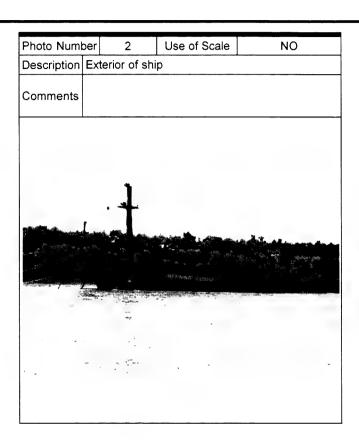
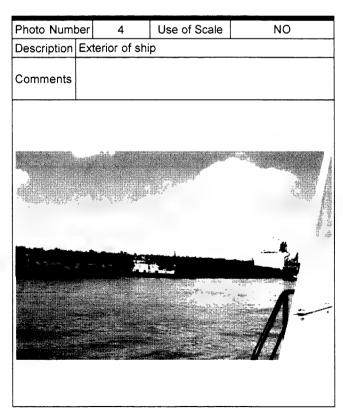


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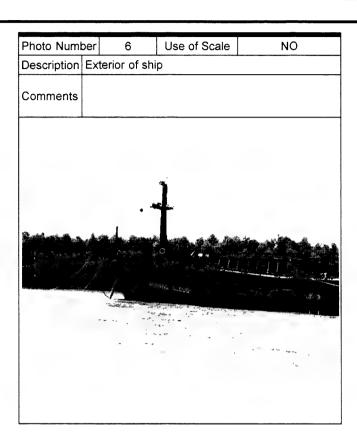
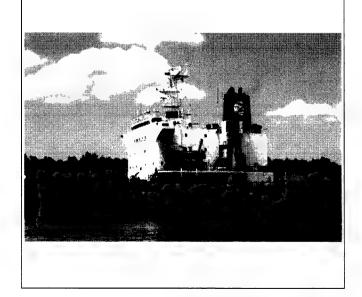
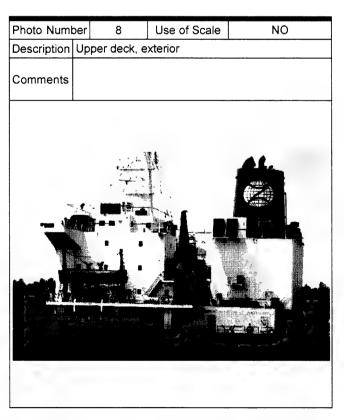


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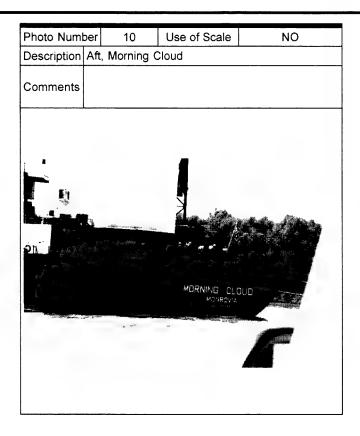


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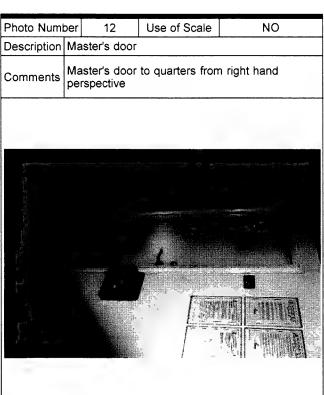




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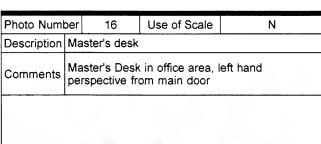
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Comments	Master's galley/pantry left hand perspective from main door seen in photo				

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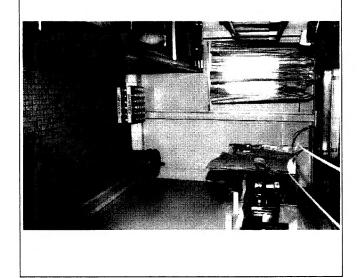


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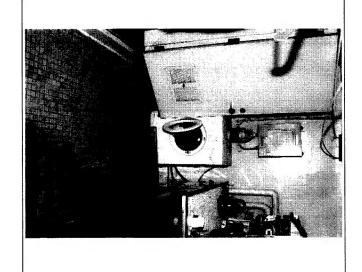
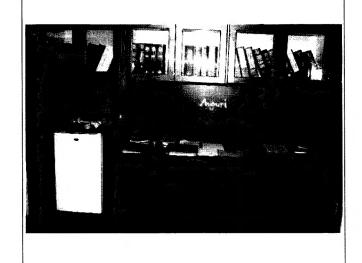


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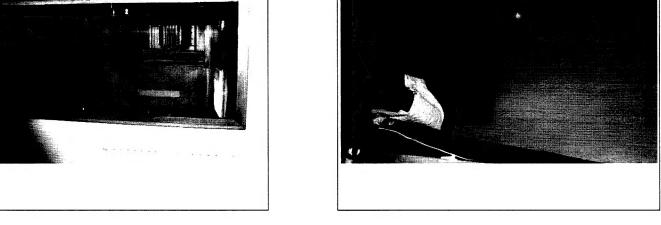


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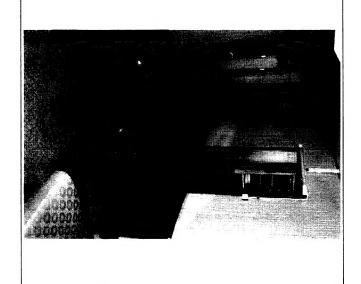
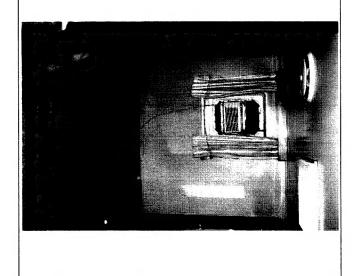


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Description	Wall A/C unit					
Comments	View from bedroom door straight ahed to air conditioning wall unit, armoire on right, bed to the left					





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Comments L/	/H view of M	aster's bed from	wall with dresser

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Comments View into bathroom, also shows open door of bedroom and far view of galley entrance						
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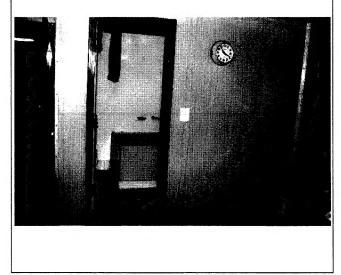


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Description	Bat	throom, tub)	
Comments	Vie	w from doo	or, middle of roo	m, includes tub
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Description	Bathroom, I/h view						
Comments Left hand view of bathroom, includes rear of tub and partial bucket in view							
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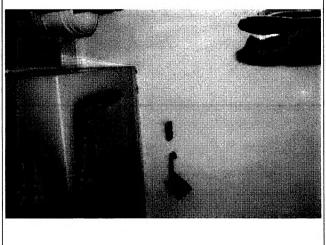
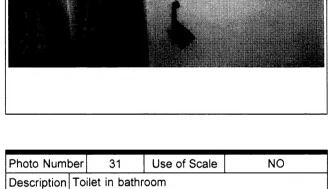


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Description	L/H	l bathroom		
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